

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN GERALD PEASE**, on March 3, 2005 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Gerald Pease, Chairman (D)
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)
Sen. John Brueggeman (R)
Sen. Sam Kitzenberg (R)
Sen. Jesse Laslovich (D)
Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)
Sen. Dan Weinberg (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Vicki Cocchiarella (D),

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Peg Holwick, Committee Secretary
Todd Everts, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 101, 2/28/2005; HB 55,
2/28/2005; HB 87, 2/28/2005;
Executive Action: HB 101, HB 87

00:00:01

Discussion of committee business:

HEARING ON HB 101

00:01:35

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

REP. DAN VILLA (D), HD 86, opened the hearing on **HB 101**, Revise fee for term permit for excess gross weight.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:33 **Tim Reardon, Attorney Department of Transportation**

00:04:52 **Spook Stang, Executive Director, Montana Motor
Carriers Association**

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

00:06:33

Closing by Sponsor:

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 101

00:07:51

Motion/Vote: **SEN. LASLOVICH** moved that **HB 101** BE CONCURRED IN.

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

SEN. COCCHIARELLA voted by Proxy.

00:10:08 Break.

00:18:38 Resume.

HEARING ON HB 55

00:19:08

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SEN. JOHN BRUEGGEMAN, SD 6, POLSON, opened the hearing on **HB 55**, Permanent registration of trailer and semitrailer fleets.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:20:09 Drew Livesey, MDOT
00:20:59 Spook Stang, Executive Director, Montana Motor
 Carriers Association

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

00:23:49

Closing by Sponsor: No closing statements by SEN. BRUEGGEMAN.

HEARING ON HB 87

00:31:59

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

REP. JOHN WARD (R), HD 84, opened the hearing on HB 87, Transfer
fleet vehicle registration to Department of Justice.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:34:02 Tim Reardon, Attorney, MDOT
00:35:04 Dean Roberts, Montana Motor Vehicle Division

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

00:36:54

Closing by Sponsor:

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 87

00:37:33

Motion/Vote: SEN. BRUEGGEMAN moved that HB 87 BE CONCURRED IN.
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. SEN. LASLOVICH, SEN.
SMITH and SEN. COCCHIARELLA voted by Proxy.

00:39:01

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:50 P.M.

SEN. GERALD PEASE, Chairman

PEG HOLWICK, Secretary

GP/ph

Additional Exhibits:

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